MESSRS. L. SIDDAPPA and K. SANTHAVEERAPPA (Channagiri Taluk):—

Q.—51. Will the Government be pleased to answer the following:—

(*a*) Is it a fact that the Government have, by a notification, ordered that income-tax should not be levied at the new rates on salaries and securities during the year 1931-32?

(*b*) If so, what are the considerations on which the Government proceeded to pass such an Order?

(*c*) Will they be pleased to publish the Order for the information of the members?

(*d*) Do they think that at the present time the position of the salaried officers is not better than that of businessmen and agriculturists?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—51. (*a*) No. Tax on salaries and interest on securities is deductible at source and in the case of all salaries and interest on securities paid on or after the 1st July 1931, *i.e.*, during the year 1931-32, the new rates are levied (*vide* also Comptroller's Circular No. 199—T.A.D.B., dated the 29th June 1931, published on page 769, Part III-2 of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated the 16th July 1931).

"Deductions according to the revised rates have to be made in respect of all salary, establishment and pension bills paid *on* or *after 1st July 1931.*"

(*b*) to (*d*) Do not arise in view of reply to (*a*).

MR. RANGADASIAH (Minority Interest).—

Q.—52. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) The total population of the Kaniyar Community in the State?

(*b*) The number of men, women, boys and girls in the community?

(*c*) The number of boys and girls attending schools?

(*d*) The schools in which they are studying and the number of students in each school?

(*e*) The number of students getting scholarships and the amount that the Government are spending in this behalf?